

Community Services Department

MEETING MINUTES

Parks and Recreation Commission January 17, 2018

- Call to Order/Roll Call: Chair Palmer called the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioners Present: Chair Palmer, Gonzales, Greenberg, Melendrez, and Nigel. Commissioners Excused: Zamattia. Staff: Burns, Brewer, Venezia, and Aker.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Gonzales led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. **REVIEW OF AGENDA**: No changes.
- 4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: MSC Melendrez/Nigel** to approve the minutes from December 6, 2017. Approved unanimously.
- CONSENT CALENDAR: None.
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

7. CONDUCT OF BUSINESS:

- a. Approval of the 2018 Commission Meeting Schedule **MSC Nigel/Greenberg** to approve the 2018 meeting schedule as presented. Approved unanimously.
- Nomination and Election of Chairperson & Vice Chairperson MSC
 Palmer/Nigel to nominate Kris Gonzales as Vice Chair. Approved unanimously.

 MSC Nigel/Melendrez to nominate Mike Palmer as Chair. Approved unanimously.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. Staff Request for Recommendations on Features and Amenities for Commodore Park Dog Run Revitalization – Director Burns told the Commission that the City currently has a Request for Proposals out for a Landscape Architect to assist in the drawing of plans to publicly bid the improvements for the Commodore Park Dog Run. Once the landscape architect is selected and hired they will take the input from the Commission, staff, and the input provided by the community from the September 20, 2017 meeting and create a Master Plan. The Master Plan will then come back for the Commission's review and for the public's review, and then to City Council for approval. Director Burns asked the Commission to please provide recommendations for feature and amenities they would like included in the Commodore Dog Park revitalization. **Commissioner Melendrez** said that after the community meeting on September 20, 2017 he felt that the biggest feature the community wanted to see were agility features.

Commissioner Greenberg reminded the Commission that the partitions for big dogs and small dogs was a priority for the community. She would also like to see a refurbished dog park with better surface, lighting, and walkway around fenced area.

Commissioner Nigel said that his priority was having a good separation between the large and small dogs and amenities that are easy for staff to maintain.

Vice Chair Gonzales told the Commission that her priorities include the park being ADA accessible, having a behavior gate installed and having the separation of the large dog and small dog areas be a 60/40 split. She added that lighting is necessary, having dog friendly benches away from the entrance, fences between 4-6 feet in height, and a bulletin board.

Chair Palmer said that his priority is having decomposed granite as a suitable surface. He agrees with the 60/40 split for large dogs and small dogs and also lighting is a necessity. Moving benches and tables away from the entrance is also critical and making sure they are low maintenance for staff. He added that he would like to see the fence around the area be replaced and it should be at least 5-6 feet in height and that having a bulletin board for the community would be helpful.

Commissioner Melendrez added that shade is an important feature that should be considered.

Commissioner Greenberg asked if the park will be adopted by a group and **Chair Palmer** replied that a group had already come forward to adopt that park once the improvements were made.

Karin Gromosini, Elm Avenue, suggested the Commission also look into trails where dogs be allowed to walk.

Reina Burgos, Florida Avenue, would like to see as many of the trees in Commodore Park stay, to have staff please provide environmental bags for the users, and leveling of the surface area. She also said a display of rules for the park would be helpful.

Tim O'Brien, Florida Avenue, said his main priority is the surface area. Would like to know if there are other options than decomposed granite. Leveling the area should be a priority too. ADA accessibility is important as well and adding some plants and aesthetics to increase the appeal.

9. ITEMS FROM MEMBERS AND SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

Commissioner Greenberg asked if the trimming of the trees around the Bayhill area were permitted by the City. Director Burns replied that there were a lot of landscape improvements happening in the Bayhill area that included the trimming of Eucalyptus trees. Commissioner Greenberg added that the San Bruno Junior Giants were now at Platinum level due to the success of their organization and she thanked staff for their support. She added that she toured Ponderosa Park and provided her feedback on the Commission's tour form for staff.

Commissioner Nigel gave staff his tour form and feedback for Monte Verde Park.

Vice Chair Gonzales told the Commission she toured Grundy Park and she requested copies of the tour forms completed by Commissioner Greenberg and Commissioner Nigel. She also asked if the Commissioners could look to identify

projects to be completed by adopt-a-park groups when they tour the parks. **Chair Palmer** told the Commission that he had met with staff regarding the San Bruno Baseball organization and the adopt-a-park program. He also met with a representative from Capuchino High School regarding the vacant Student Commissioner position.

Commissioner Melendrez provided feedback on his tours of Fleetwood Park, Monte Verde Park, and Buckeye Park.

- 10. ITEMS FROM STAFF: Director Burns told the Commission that Monte Verde Park had been vandalized in December which is why it currently has a locked gate. She thanked Superintendent Brewer and Supervisor Venezia for completing the pavement project at City Park and let the Commission know that they are currently working on an invitation for bids for the Commodore Park pathways.
 - **Vice Chair Gonzales** commented that Grundy Park pathways should be a priority over Commodore Park pathways.
 - Superintendent Brewer told the Commission that the installation of the new registration system had commenced and would be going live the beginning of February.
- 11. **ADJOURNMENT**: With no other business to be conducted, **Chair Palmer** adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.